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Attached are Proposed Amendments relating to Serial No. 552,987 for review prior to our meeting on Thursday, January 9 at 10:00 am.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1. An intake air heater capable of being mounted in an intake air manifold formed integrally in a cylinder head, having a mounting surface, of an internal combustion engine for heating intake air flowing along an intake air flow path to multiple engine cylinders, comprising:

a heater frame member for attachment to the cylinder head, said frame member including a flange portion for compressive abutment against the cylinder head mounting surface; and

a heating element connected to said heater frame member for heating the intake air, wherein said heating element is positioned within the integral intake air manifold formed in the cylinder head when the air heater is mounted on the engine.

2. The intake air heater of claim 1, wherein said [frame member further includes a] flange portion is positioned substantially in a single mounting plane, said heating element positioned on one side of said mounting plane along said intake air flow path downstream of said flange portion.

Claim 6, line 8, after "manifold" insert --chamber--.

Claim 7, line 3, change second occurrence of "top" to --bottom--.

Claim 15, line 18, change "top" to --bottom--.

Claim 19, line 3, change "second" to --top--.